1. (Twice Amended) A device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure comprising:

a body for engaging a support structure;

said body supporting at least one tensioner, said tensioner rotationally supported by said body;

said tensioner comprising at least one end;

a pawl supported on said body and rotationally movable to engage one end thereof with said tensioner;

a depression formed within and surrounded by said at least one [in the] end of said tensioner for rotation thereof;

said pawl having an engaging end perpendicular to said pawl and engaging the surface of a portion of said tensioner, thereby blocking rotational movement of said tensioner.

2. (Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 1 wherein said pawl is biased toward a position wherein said pawl engaging end is blockingly engaged with said tensioner.

3. (Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 1 wherein said body [in] is unitary.

4. (Original) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 1 wherein said tensioner further comprises a substantially cylindrical surface having an opening substantially parallel to said axis of said cylinder for receiving an end of a flexible member.

5. (Twice amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 4 wherein said opening further comprises a widening of said opening to accommodate thickened portions of said flexible member.

6. (Previously Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 5 wherein said widening of said opening is located proximate each end of said opening and at mid-opening.

7. (Twice Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 2 wherein said bias is provided by a [tensioner] tension spring connected to said pawl.

8. (Twice Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 1 wherein said body supports a pair of tensioners, said tensioners rotationally supported by said body:

a pair of pawls each supported on said body and rotationally moveable to engage one end thereof with one of said tensioners, said pawl having an engaging end perpendicular to said pawl and engaging the surface of a portion of said tensioner thereby blocking movement of said tensioner,

each of said tensioners having a depression formed within and surrounded by said at least one [in the] end thereof for rotation.

9. (Original) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 8 wherein said body is unitary.

10. (Previously Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 8 wherein each said tensioner further comprises a substantially cylindrical structure having an opening substantially parallel to said axis of said cylinder for receiving an end of a flexible member.

11. (Previously Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 10 wherein said opening further comprises a widening of said opening to accommodate thickened portions of said flexible member.

12. (Previously Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 11 wherein said widening of said opening is located proximate each end of said opening and at mid-opening.

13. (Amended) The device for tensioning a flexible member relative to a structure of claim 9 wherein said bias is provided by a [tensioner] tension spring connected to said pawls.

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